

In The Abstract:

Paragraph beginning at line 1 of page 30 has been amended as follows:

b9 A program, system and method for decoding a packed representation of multiple parses that creates an unpacked forest to be read by a semantic interpretation module from a packed representation is provided. The packed representation includes at least one edgenode and each edgenode includes a substitution list. A current forest object is created and is replicated for each edgenode having a substitution list containing greater than one edgenode. Each replica of the current forest object is updated with one of the edgenodes from the substitution list. Each edgenode of the packed representation is traversed using a depth-first traversal.